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(H-4219)

**DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

As the below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, joint and first inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**CERAMIC PACKING ELEMENT**

the specification of which

☐ is attached hereto or  
☒ entered the U.S. on \_\_\_\_\_ as Appln. No. \_\_\_\_\_  
claiming priority of PCT application Serial No. PCT/US03/17994 and filed on  
JUNE 9, 2003.

We authorize the below-named attorneys to enter the serial numbers and filing dates when issued.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations §1.56(a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

PCT Application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_, filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application listed below:

Not applicable.

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code §112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which

occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

**U.S. Serial No. 10/167,893; Filed June 12, 2002**

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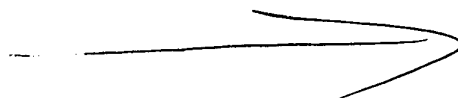
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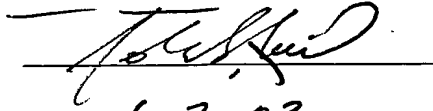


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